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# **VOTE BY MAIL FOR NOVEMBER 2, 2010 GENERAL ELECTION UNDERWAY**

Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) Dean Logan reminded Los Angeles County registered voters that they can request Vote by Mail ballots for the upcoming November 2, 2010 General Election beginning Monday, October 4 through Tuesday, October 26. Vote By Mail Applications were sent out with Official Sample Ballot Booklets to all registered voters. Voters, who would like to automatically receive a Vote By Mail Ballot for every election may request Permanent Vote by Mail status. Simply, check the box marked "Permanent Vote by Mail Status" on the Vote by Mail application located on the back cover of the Sample Ballot booklet. "Voting by Mail is an easy, convenient option to choose. You can never be too busy to Vote By Mail," said Logan.

The November 2 General Election will decide the outcome of races in 435 active voting districts, with ballot contests ranging from federal and state offices, to local and special districts, including state and local ballot measures. Sample ballot mailings by the RR/CC began on September 23 to the more than 4.3 million registered voters in the county.

"Staff have been diligently assembling Vote by Mail packets for the 689,307 Permanent Vote by Mail voters eligible to vote in this election," said Logan. "Approximately 77,000 Vote by Mail packets have been completed thus far, including 26,058 packets for military personnel and overseas voters," Logan concluded. Voted ballots must be received by the RR/CC no later than Tuesday, November 2, 2010 by 8 p.m. Ballots received after 8 p.m. November 2, regardless of postmark, will not be accepted.

### REQUESTING A VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT

Voters may request a Vote by Mail ballot in one of the following ways:

- Complete the Vote by Mail application on the back cover of the Official Sample
  Ballot booklet; or
- Submit an electronic request by visiting the RR/CC website at <u>www.lavote.net</u> and click on the *Vote by Mail* button located in the *Quick Links* box of the main page; or
- Send a letter addressed to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, Vote by Mail Section, P.O. Box 30450, Los Angeles, CA 90030-0450; or
- Apply in person at the RR/CC Headquarters, 12400 Imperial Hwy., 3rd Floor, Room 3002, Norwalk, CA 90650.

Voters who request a Vote by Mail ballot can check on the status of their request using the RR/CC's online look-up. Visit <a href="www.lavote.net">www.lavote.net</a> and click on the Vote by Mail button in the Quick Links box located on the main page. Voters may also call the RR/CC at (562) 466-1323.

## REQUESTING PERMANENT VOTE BY MAIL STATUS

California law allows any registered voter to become a permanent Vote by Mail voter. Voters may request Permanent Vote by Mail status in one of the following ways:

- Complete the Vote by Mail application on the back cover of the Official Sample Ballot booklet and check the "PERMANENT VOTE BY MAIL STATUS" box; or
- Visit <u>www.lavote.net</u> and click on the *Vote by Mail* button in the *Quick Links* box to download a *Permanent Vote by Mail* application; or
- Call the RR/CC to request an application for Permanent Vote by Mail Status at (562) 466-1323.

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RETURNING YOUR VOTE BY MAIL BALLOT

In order to be counted, ballots cast by mail must be returned with sufficient time for mail delivery

to the RR/CC by 8 p.m. on November 2 (postmarked ballots will not be counted). Vote by Mail

ballots may also be returned in person to the RR/CC Headquarters, or delivered to any polling

place in the county before the polls close at 8 p.m. on Election Day. A voter may authorize a

designated family member to return the voted ballot to a polling place or to the RR/CC in

accordance with the procedures outlined on the Vote by Mail ballot return envelope.

ABOUT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

The mission of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk is to serve Los Angeles County by providing

essential records management and election services in a fair, accessible and transparent

manner.

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